

REMARKS

Claim Status

Claims 1, 3, 4 and 6 are pending in the present application. Claim 1 has been amended to more particularly define Applicants' invention. Support for the amendment to Claim 1 is found on pages 2 and 3 of the instant application.

Rejections Under 35 USC §102(e)

Pages 2 and 3 of the Office Action indicate that "*Claims 1 and 4 are rejected under 35 USC §102(e) as being anticipated by Bristor*". The rejection does not provide a patent number or patent publication number for the Bristor reference. However, in a phone conversation between Applicants' attorney and the Examiner, it was clarified that the Bristor reference cited by the Examiner is U.S. Patent No. 6,880,191 issued to Bristor on April 19, 2005. Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for this clarification.

Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection. Bristor purports to relate to a spray caddy for storing and transporting chemicals and cleaning accessories. Bristor does not teach or suggest a kit for cleaning a vehicle which includes *inter alia* a carrying case having a front side which includes an opening wherein the opening is covered with an air permeable material so as to facilitate drying of the spraying device and its components after use. Hence, Bristor does not anticipate Claims 1 or 4 of the instant application. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection.

Pages 3 and 4 of the Office Action indicates that "*Claim 1 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as anticipated by or, in the alternative, under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as obvious over Barger et al.*" The rejection does not provide a patent number or patent publication number for the Barger reference cited by the Examiner. However, the Examiner clarified in the above-referenced phone conversation that the cited Barger reference refers to U.S. Patent No. 6,562,142 issued to Barger et al. on May 13, 2003.

Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection. Barger relates to a system and a method for cleaning and/or treating a surface. Barger does not disclose a carrying case having a front side which includes an opening wherein the opening is covered with an air permeable material so as to facilitate drying of the spraying device and its components after use. Hence, Barger does not anticipate

Claim 1 of the instant application. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection.

Rejections Under 35 USC §103

Page 4 and 5 of the Office Action indicates that Claim 3 is rejected "*under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as anticipated by or, in the alternative, under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as obvious over Bristor in view of Lee*". The rejection does not provide a patent number or patent publication number for the Lee reference. However, in the phone conversation between Applicants' attorney and the Examiner, it was clarified that the Lee reference cited by the Examiner is refers to U.S. Patent No. 6,192,543 issued to Lee on February 27, 2001.

Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection. As provided above, Bristor purports to relate to a spray caddy for storing and transporting chemicals and cleaning accessories. Lee purports to relate to a cleaning mitt which provides a mild cleaning surface and a more abrasive cleaning surface.

Bristor in view of Lee does not teach or suggest a kit for cleaning a vehicle which includes *inter alia* a carrying case having a front side which includes an opening wherein the opening is covered with an air permeable material so as to facilitate drying of the spraying device and its components after use. Hence, as Bristor in view of Lee neither anticipates nor is obvious over Claim 3, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection.

Claim 6 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Bristor". Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection. As provided above, Bristor does not teach or suggest a kit for cleaning a vehicle which includes *inter alia* a carrying case having a front side which includes an opening wherein the opening is covered with an air permeable material so as to facilitate drying of the spraying device and its components after use. Hence, Bristor is not obvious over Claims 6 of the instant application. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection.

Page 6 of the Office Action indicates that "*Claims 1, 4, and 6 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Bristor in view of Simonetti*." The rejection does not provide a patent number for Simonetti, however in the phone conversation between Applicants' attorney and the Examiner, it was clarified that the Simonetti reference refers to U.S. Patent No. 5,143,299 issued to Simonetti et al. on September 1, 1992. Applicants respectfully traverse this

rejection. Simonetti purports to relate to a spray gun for use with a source of pressurized liquid provided through a supply hose. As provided above, Bristor purports to relate to a spray caddy for storing and transporting chemicals and cleaning accessories. Bristor in view of Simonetti does not teach or suggest a kit for cleaning a vehicle which includes *inter alia* a carrying case having a front side which includes an opening wherein the opening is covered with an air permeable material so as to facilitate drying of the spraying device and its components after use. Hence, as Bristor in view of Simonetti is unobvious over Claims 1, 4, and 6, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection.

SUMMARY

This is an RCE which is responsive to the September 16, 2008 Final Office Action.
Applicants respectfully request allowance of Claims 1, 3 - 4, and 6.

Respectfully submitted,

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